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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN REQUEST FOR TRANSPORT OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS TO SHABA

REF: A. RABAT 4873 B. STATE 203722 C. PARIS 25715

- 1. DESPITE REF A REPORT, MOROCCAN AMBASSADOR BENGELLOUN HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON PROPOSAL TO AUGMENT MOROCCAN CONTINGENT OF SHABA FORCE WITH U.S. AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE WHEN WE INQUIRED WITH HIM ON AUGUST 15, AND DID NOT RAISE MATTER IN AUGUST 17 CALL ON SAUNDERS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR RABAT.
- 2. SHOULD AUTHORITATIVE GOM REPRESENTATIVE AGAIN RAISE SECRET

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MATTER WITH YOU IN AMBASSADOR ANDERSON'S ABSENCE, YOU SHOULD SAY THAT WE DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND NEED TO AUGMENT AFRICAN PEACEKEEPING FORCE AT A TIME WHEN GENERAL DIPLOMATIC SITUATION SEEMS TO BE IMPROVING, BUT THAT WE REMAIN SYMPATHETIC TO MOROCCAN SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR MAINTAINING THE EXISTING FORCE IN PLACE, AND THAT WE WANT TO CONSULT WITH FRANCE AND OTHERS ON THIS AND RELATED

QUESTIONS.

3. YOU SHOULD TREAT DETAILS OF REF B EXCHANGE AS FYI ONLY.

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